

## **§ 505.6**

record system and by furnishing all the identifying information requested by that record system, it will enable the Board to more easily locate those records which pertain to the individual. At a minimum, any request should include the information specified in § 505.4(b) above.

(b) In certain circumstances, it may be necessary for the Board to request additional information from the individual to ensure that the retrieved record does, in fact, pertain to the individual.

(c) All requests for information on whether or not the Board's system(s) of records contain information about the individual will be acknowledged within ten working days of receipt of the request. The requested records will be provided as soon as possible thereafter.

(d) If the Board determines that the substance of the requested record is exceptionally sensitive, the Board will require the individual to furnish a signed, notarized statement that she/he is in fact the person named in the file before granting access to the records.

(e) Original records will not be released from the custody of the records system manager. Copies will be furnished subject to and in accordance with fees established in § 505.11.

(f) Denial of access to records:

(1) The requirements of this section do not entitle an individual access to any information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action or proceeding.

(2) Under the Privacy Act, the Board is not required to permit access to records if the information is not retrievable by the individual's name or other personal identifier; those requests will be processed as Freedom of Information Act requests.

(3) The Board may deny an individual access to a record, or portion thereof, if following a review it is determined that the record or portion falls within a system of records that is exempt from disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j) and 552a(k). See §§ 505.13 and 505.14 for a listing of general and specific exemptions.

(4) The decision to deny access to a record or a portion of the record is made by the Board's Privacy Act Officer, Office of the General Counsel. The

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denial letter will advise the individual of her/his rights to appeal the denial (See § 505.9 on Access Appeal Committee's review).

### **§ 505.6 Medical records.**

If, in the judgment of the Board, the release of medical information directly to the requester could have an adverse effect on the requester, the Board will arrange an acceptable alternative to granting access of such records to the requester. This normally involves the release of the information to a doctor named by the requester. However, this special procedure provision does not in any way limit the absolute right of the individual to receive a complete copy of her or his medical record.

### **§ 505.7 Correction or amendment of record.**

(a) An individual has the right to request that the Board amend a record pertaining to her/him which the individual believes is not accurate, relevant, timely, or complete. At the time the Board grants access to a record, it will furnish guidelines for requesting amendments to the record.

(b) Requests for amendments to records must be in writing and mailed or delivered to the Broadcasting Board of Governors Privacy Act Officer, Office of the General Counsel, 301 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20547, who will coordinate the review of the request to amend a record with the appropriate office(s). Such requests must contain, at a minimum, identifying information needed to locate the record, a brief description of the item or items of information to be amended, and the reason for the requested change. The requester should submit as much documentation, arguments or other data as seems warranted to support the request for amendment.

(c) The Board will review all requests for amendments to records within 10 working days of receipt of the request and either make the changes or inform the requester of its refusal to do so and the reasons therefore.

### **§ 505.8 Board review of requests for changes.**

(a) In reviewing a record in response to a request to amend or correct a file,